THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir, there have been cases of theft of water meters in this colony.

(b) The NDMC have reported that there have been 94 such cases since 1981.

The DWS & SDU have reported that there have been about 58 such cases during the year 1984-85 and 4 complaints have so far been received during the current year.

Holding of typing test for appointing MC

†2927-C. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING be pleased

(a) whether it is a fact that a written test for the post of L.D.C./Typists was held in N.D.M.C. and on the basis of that test letters for typing test were issued in April, 1985;

(b) wheher the typing test scheduled to be held in April, 1985 was postponed;

(c) if so, by when the typing test is likely to be held;

(d) the number of candidates called for typing test and the number of vacancies to be filled up;

(e) whether it is also a fact that the candidates selected on the basis of earlier test are still to be appointed;

(f) if so, the number of such candidates; and

(g) the number of casual L.D.C./typists working there?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The NDMC have informed that the typing test will now be held after the ban on recruitment and filling up of vacant posts is lifted.

(d) 1286 candidates were called by NDMC for typing test. The number of available vacancies is 20 (approximately).

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

(2) No casual LDCs/ typists are at present working with the NDMC.

Intrusion of foreign boats into Indian waters

†2927-D. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that foreign boats chartered for high sea fishing are intruding into our defence installations area;

(b) whether it is also a fact that restrictions which was previously imposed on foreign boats that they could not enter within the 40 nautical miles of Indian waters has been withdrawn; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) No, Sir. The Coast Guard monitors the operation of chartered vessels. As per rules, chartered fishing vessels are inspected by the Coast Guard authorities prior to commencing fishing operations. For security reasons chartered vessels are not allotted Bombay, Visakhapatnam and Port Blair as the base of operation. These vessels are required to operate beyond 24 nautical miles from the shore of islands like Andaman & Nicobar, Lakshadweep and Minicoy; Bombay High and other off-shore installations.

†Previously Unstarred Question No. 2749, transferred from the 22nd August, 1985.

†Previously Unstarred Question No. 2762 transferred from the 22nd August 1985.

(b) and (c) The previous restrictions prescribed a depth limitation of 40 fathoms and beyond for operation of chartered vessels. Due to the difficulties experienced by the Enforcement Authorities in implementing the 40 fathoms limit for operation of chartered vessels, the Maritime Zones of India (Regulation of Fishing by Foreign Vessels) Rules, 1982 were amended in April, 1985, whereby a distance limitation of 24 nautical miles was introduced on the west coast and between Nizampatnam and Paradeep on the east coast; South of Nizampatnam, the distance limitation is 12 nautical miles. The 24 nautical miles line runs almost parallel to the 40 fathom zone, and the depth is more than 40 fathoms beyond 12 nautical miles south of Nibamapatnam on the east coast. In addition, some pockets having resource potential on the west, south west and the east coasts have been excluded from the purview of operation of the chartered vessels to protect the interest of the Indian Fishing Industry.

Central agency for monitoring poverty alleviation programmes

†2927-E. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a Central agency to monitor implementation of various poverty alleviation schemes; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and by the time by when the proposed Central Agency is likely to become functional?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) and (b) The Central Government monitors various poverty alleviation schemes by obtaining periodical progress reports through the State Governments. This system will continue. In addition, it is proposed to undertake on sample basis concurrent evaluation of Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP). The details are being worked out.

†Previously Unstarred Question No. 2766, transferred from the 22nd August 1985.

जनशक्ति के निर्यात में संलग्न कम्पनियों द्वारा की गई धोखाधड़ी की सी०बी०आई० द्वारा जांच

†2927-एफ. **श्री हुक्मदेव नारायण यादव :**
श्री बी० सत्यनारायण रेड्डी :

क्या **श्रम** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कुछ संसद सदस्यों ने अपने दिनांक 10 जून, 1985 के पत्र द्वारा मांग की है कि जनशक्ति के निर्यात में संलग्न कंपनियों द्वारा की गई धोखाधड़ी के मामलों की सी० बी० आई० द्वारा जांच की जाए; और

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो ने इस मामले की जांच की है तथा अनेक कंपनियों को दोषी पाया है; यदि हां, तो उनके नाम और पते क्या हैं ?

श्रम मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री टी० अंजैया) : (क) किसी भी संसद सदस्य से तारीख 10-6-1085 का कोई पत्र प्राप्त नही हुआ है । तथापि, इस संबंध में वित्त मंत्री को सम्बोधित तारीख 7-6-1985 के पत्र की एक प्रति एक संसद सदस्य से प्राप्त हुई थी ।

(ख) जैसा कि केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो ने सूचित किया है, कोई जांच-पड़ताल नही की जा रही है ।

†Previously Unstarred Question No. 2744, transferred from the 22nd August, 1985.